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Applicant: M. Loose

Examiner: C. Kao

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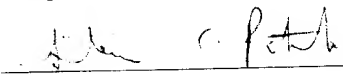
Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the Office Action dated September 19, 2002.

If any fee is required, charge Account No. 18-1750. A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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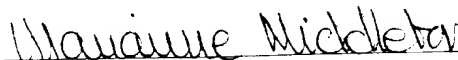

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In response to the Office Action dated September 19, 2002, kindly amend the above application as follows:

Claims

Please amend claims 1, 9 and 15 as follows:

1. (twice amended) A photodetector array comprising a plurality of addressable active pixels, each pixel comprising:
at least two photodiodes arranged such that their outputs may be switchably connected to a common pixel node;
a switching circuit which allows switching of at least one of said photodiodes between a first circuit and a second circuit;
wherein said first circuit directly combines the outputs of said at least two photodiodes in parallel, and said second circuit directly combines the output of said at least one of said photodiodes in parallel with the output of a photodiode of a neighboring pixel in the array, whereby said array is switchable between a high resolution and a low resolution pixel configuration, said pixel having an intrinsic capacitance which stores said combined photodiode outputs prior to their being read out, and